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Lib. J. R. & U. S. Sir Queen Anns County 6th April 1766.

I was favoured with yours of the 13<sup>th</sup> of February last and agreeable to the desire of his Excellency and their Honours signified therein, I immediately on the sitting of Our Court made them acquainted with your Letter who directed me to inform you that they have reason to believe that the Sheriff of this County has not given Bond for the faithful Performance of his Duty this year, as no such Bond has ever been laid before them for their Approbation.

I am Sir your most humble Servant Rich<sup>d</sup> Tilghman Jun<sup>r</sup>

Ordered that the Clerk of this Board write the following Letter to M' Ja's Edmondson Sheriff of Queen Anns County.

Annapolis 27th May 1766.

Sir

I am directed by the Governor and Council to acquaint you of their desire that you will immediately enter into Bond for the faithful performance of your Duty as Sheriff of Queen Anns County, this year, according to the Directions of the Act of Assembly, and that you will transmit it to the Secretary's Office as soon as it has been approved of by your Court.

His Excellency is much displeased that you have so long neglected to Comply with what was your Duty on this Occasion.

I am Sir

To Ja's Edmondson Esq<sup>r</sup> your most humble Servant Sheriff of Queen Anns County. Upton Scott Clk Con.

The Bonds given by the Sheriffs of Dorchester, Kent and Ann Arundel Counties being laid before this Board and there being no Certificates upon them of their being approved of by the Respective County Courts. Ordered that the Clerk of this Board write the following Letter to John Dickinson, Joseph Nicholson, and Joseph Galloway the respective Sheriffs of these Counties.

Annapolis 27th May 1766.

Sir

Upon your Sheriff's Bond being laid before the Governor and Council for their Approbation it does not appear to them that it was taken by the Commissioners of the County Court agreeable to the Directions of the Act of Assembly, they have therefore directed me to acquaint you that they expect you will